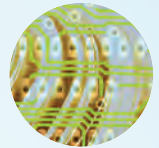


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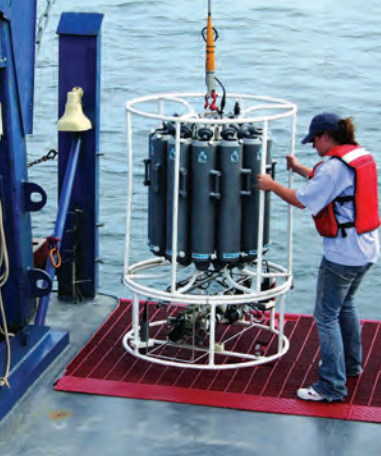
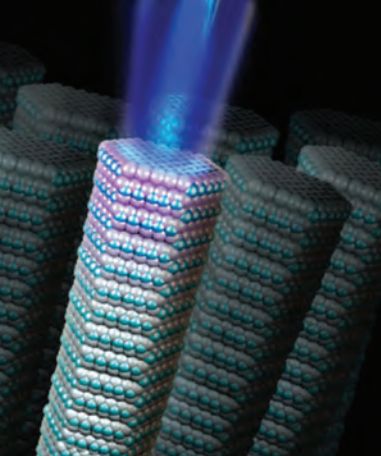
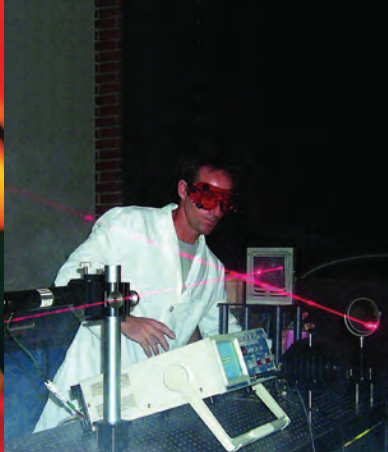
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# OUR LEGACY

## ABOUT NSF

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# OUR WORK

## ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

Our research and education areas comprise virtually every science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) discipline: Arctic and Antarctic, Astronomy and Space, Biology, Chemistry and Materials, Computing and Information Systems, Earth and Environment, Economics, Education, Engineering, Mathematics, Nanoscience, People and Society, and Physics. We support research ranging from discovering how to convert sugar to gasoline to training a natural bio-army to fight cancer. For instance, NSF-funded Arctic and Antarctic researchers are tracking permafrost melting in Alaska to gain insight on the release of carbon into the atmosphere. NSF-funded astronomy and space researchers have made revolutionary discoveries about the atmospheric cycle of Saturn's largest moon, and found similarities to Earth, using ground-based telescopes and space probes. NSF also funds a wide range of science and engineering educational initiatives such as graduate research fellowships, research experiences for undergraduates, and centers of research excellence in science and technology. The fact is, the discoveries and the opportunities at NSF are as limitless as the fields of science and engineering.





# OUR PEOPLE

## LEADERS IN INNOVATION

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